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Previous references.

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Later references.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 2

Part B for July 1922

SUBJECT.

Application of the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for a mining lease

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To

The Director of Geology
Compliments to Govt.
No. 7.C. 717-8 of 27/7/22

Grants a mining lease for gold over half a sq. mile of land comprised in original prospecting block No 23 Subject to certain conditions

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(For Disposal at a Meeting)

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Clause xxiv of the schedule)

Application of the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for a mining lease.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

16th June 1922.

Chief Secretary to Government.

Extraordinary Member of Council. Seen 20.6.22.

First Member of Council. Seen

5951/1716 **Second Member of Council.** 15/6/22

Third Member of Council.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Geol)

NOTES.

File No. 58-21

FILE HEADING.

Mineral licenses and leases applied for & held by the North Kolar Gold Syndicate.

From

The Director, Dept of Geology

No. 1110 Dated 4-1-22 Received 5-1-22

Diary No. 3198	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Recommends for reasons stated that Mineral Concession may be accorded to the grant of a mining lease for gold to the Syndicate over a block of one sq/mile of land in Kolar & Mulbagal Taluks.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Submitted with references for orders.

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2/ The North Kolar Gold Syndicate was originally given a prospecting license for gold over a block of 1 square mile in the taluk &

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Kolar Hulbagal. The application for renewal of license was not viewed by Govt in favour & the Syndicate was allowed the option to take out a mining lease over the block under the new rules according to which the area of a mining lease for gold is fixed at a maximum ~~of one mile long~~ of ½ a sq mile. being 1 mile long ½ mile wide ~~& the length~~ being ~~not~~ in the direction of the strike of the vein

3 That the Syndicate urges the grant of a mining lease over the entire block of one square mile on the grounds

i that a considerable amount of money has already been invested on the area in question

ii, that the geological disturbances & nature of the rocks, especially the numerous faults, necessitate an extensive development in searching for the strike of vein

iii that a large amount of money has also to be spent for employing improved methods of ~~dealing~~ dealing with disturbances & faults

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iv that a sufficiently large area is quite necessary in the exhermatical stage, to justify extensive developments & the investment of large sums of money. The rules do provide for the relaxation of the limits laid down, in special circumstances arising out of the shape or distribution of mineral deposits & the Director of Geology recommends the grant of this concession on the ground that the numerous faults & disturbances in rock formations. The Syndicate appears to have actually spent a large sum amounting to Rs 75000 & Dr Smeeth has on a previous occasion testified to the good work done, & the enhanced charges necessary in such circumstances, & stated that their case deserved special consideration.

If it is for orders, whether in the circumstances reported, a relaxation of the rules ought not to be permitted

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Case worked up briefly

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There seems to be no good ground for reconsideration We can write to

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Strict in regard to grant of licences for [illegible]

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2nd Member)

Mr. Bosworth Smith came & spoke to me in this matter last month & from what he told me it appears to me that the request made was one deserving of consideration. The reasons given by the Syndicate for showing the concession have been accepted by both Mr. Finucane & the Director & I am also of opinion that they are of a substantial nature. There is no local Syndicate which has the necessary resources for undertaking the work & it is very unlikely that first with late steps memorandum. This is work of a highly specialised kind & I much doubt the wisdom of forth undertaking any thing of the kind shortly For these reasons I am of opinion that the recommendation made by the Geol. officers may be accepted & the concession granted

Mr Bewan

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3996.	M. Do. letter dated 27th January from Mr Bosworth Smith to the Dewan is enclosed in the file. The file will be called for when Mr Smith returns to Bangalore. BO. 31/1/22

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MYSORE GEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT. 6

Camp Mysore,
~~Bangalore~~ 7th June 1922.

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Dear Mr. Narain Rao,

In reply to your D.O. letter of the 2nd instant (which has been redirected to me from Bangalore), I write to say that, as surmised by you, the North Kolar Gold Syndicate is a body entirely different from the Eastern Development Corporation, Ltd. the Kadur Shimoga Gold Fields Ltd., and the New Shimoga Gold Fields, Ltd.

Mr. Bosworth Smith has been the Manager of only the last three Firms and had never had any connection with the North Kolar Gold Syndicate of which

which Mr. R. T. Coggan has been the Secretary for a long time past.

Yours sincerely,

M. Narain Rao, Esq., B.A.,
Personal Assistant to the
First Member of Council,
Camp Mysore.

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First Member) 10/6/21

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Final Note Signed by the Member is placed on the file.
10 The First Member desires that the linked Case, viz. the application of the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for mining leases, may, with the Dewan's approval be brought up for consideration in Council at an early meeting of it.
Submitted to the Chief Secy). 10.6.21

11 Putup as M. 11/6

12 D. S. N. Subd (Draft + fair) Dewan) Rapp, the file relevant to be circulated 12/6

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14 Circulate 14/6

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* This Firm is different from the others that have applied. (Vide D.O. letter of 7.5 instant from the Office Assistant to the Director of Geology Secunderabad)

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 615th *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the* 22nd June 1922. ~~19~~

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554. Subject. - Clause xxiv of the schedule.

Application of the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for a mining lease.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The North Kolar Gold Syndicate may be given a mining lease for Gold on the same terms as proposed for the Eastern Development Corporation in the Council resolution dated 25th May 1922. The area to be included in the lease may be limited to ½ a square mile in accorance with the mining rules.

(Signed) A. R. BANERJI,

Dewan of Mysore.

"EXTRACT'

Chief Secretary to Government.

WD 1148—GPB—1,000—23-12-16

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 612th *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at* ~~Bangalore~~ Mysore *on the* 25th May 1922. *19*

Subject. - 16

Reconsideration of the order rejecting the applications of certain syndicates for prospecting licenses for gold.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The application of the Eastern Development Corporation Ltd. for prospecting licenses for gold may be granted as a special case, subject to the conditions that when mining lease is issued either to the Corporation or to a Company to which it may transfer its rights, there shall be paid to Government in addition to the royalty in gold either fully paid up shares of the value of 10% of the Share Capital, or an enhanced rate of 7½% on the dividends declared.

(Signed) A. R. BANERJI,

Dewan of Mysore.

"EXTRACT'

Chief Secretary to Government.

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | G.R. File No. 5-8 of 1921-22

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Submitted with Extract of the Council Resolution.

17 First Member) 23/6/22

18 Final note signed by the member

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19 D.S.N. Subd. Dewan) 23/6/22

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Final Note by the First Member of Council.

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Subject:-

Application of the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for a Mining Lease.

The above Syndicate was originally given a prospecting license for gold over a block of one square mile in the taluks of Kolar and Mulbagal. The application for renewal of license was not viewed by Government with favour and the Syndicate was allowed the option to take out a Mining Lease over the block under the new rules, under which the area of a mining lease for gold is fixed at a maximum of half a square mile. But the Syndicate urges the grant of a mining lease over the entire block of one square mile on the grounds mentioned in the Director's letter No.1110 dated 4th January 1922.

2. The new rules provide for the relaxation of the limit laid down in special circumstances, and, the Director of Geology thinks, that the reasons urged by the Syndicate are very sound and convincing and recommends the grant of the lease over the entire area of one square mile.

3. It appears to me that the request of the Syndicate is one deserving of consideration. The reasons given by the Syndicate for showing the concession have been accepted by both Dr. Smeeth and the Director and I am also of opinion that they are of a substantial nature. There is no local Syndicate which has the necessary resources to undertake the work, which is of a highly speculative kind, and, the wisdom of Government undertaking anything of the kind itself seems, to my mind, to be a matter of much doubt.

4. The subject was considered in Council at the meeting held on the 22nd instant when the following opinion was recorded:-

"The North Kolar Gold Syndicate may be given a mining lease

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for gold on the same terms as proposed for the Eastern Development Corporation in the Council resolution dated 25th May 1922. The area to be included in the lease may be limited to half a square mile in accordance with the Mining Rules."

5. Gracious orders are solicited.

P Rajkashoorkar
MEMBER OF COUNCIL. 29.6.22

28th June 1922.

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Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the First *Member of Council on the subject of* application of the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for a Mining Lease, ...

for His Highness' gracious approval.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

Grant of a mining lease for gold to the North Kolar Gold Syndicate.

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Order.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may, in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circutated to the Members of Council at headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

24 Circulated to the Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders ~~before~~ / ~~after~~ issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 31, 33 and 34 or the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

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Chief Secretary to Govt.

Through the Secretary to Government,

.....General..... Department.

12.7.22

1st Member 12/7

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THIRD MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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27 Genl. Secy. with compliments. 14/7

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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To
Submitted with a draft.
15-7-22

Draft is in order.
As suggested the word "usually" may be retained. The words "of" in the concluding para may be inserted wherever necessary to make the meaning clear.

16-7-22

Govt Member

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Draft approved

22-7-22

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To,
2 Dir. Dept of Geology & Mining.
No. 717-81 dt. 21.7.22.

Sanctions the mining lease to the Syndicate in question over 1/2 Sq. mile comprising in prospecting blocks No. 423 in Kolar District subject to the usual conditions and certain conditions

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No. 1110
Encs: 2.

Dated, Bangalore, 4/1/1922.

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From

B. JAYA RAM, Esquire, F.G.S.,
Director, Mysore Geological Department.

To

S. Hiriannaiya, Esq., M.A., B.L.,
General Secretary to the
Government of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No.G.8280 Geol.37-19-2, dated 30th September 1919, relating to the grant of an option to the North Kolar Gold Syndicate to take out a mining lease under the new rules over the block held by them under prospecting license No.423, I have the honor to state that on the issue of the new rules in May 1920, a copy of the same was duly forwarded to the Secretary of the Syndicate, and that he thereupon submitted an application, dated 15th November 1920, for a mining lease over the entire area of 640 acres (1 square mile) comprised in prospecting license No.423. A copy of this application is submitted herewith for the information and orders of Government as well as a copy of the sketch of the mining block referred to therein.

2. The new rules under which the option of a lease was granted to the Syndicate prescribe a maximum limit of "one mile long by half a mile wide and not more than half a mile along the strike of the vein or formation" in the case of leases for gold. The block applied for by the Secretary of the Syndicate exceeded the maximum limits mentioned above according to which the area should not exceed

exceed half a square mile and he was, therefore, asked to revise it in conformity with the rules. But he urges in his letter, dated 12th December 1921, for a reconsideration of the orders of Government and the grant of a lease over the block of one square mile originally applied for by him. The reasons urged for a reconsideration are (1) the expenditure of a considerable amount of money already incurred by the Syndicate on the area in question, (2) the geologically disturbed nature of the rocks in the area especially the numerous faults in the formation necessitating an extensive development in searching for the line of strike, (3) the further expenditure to be incurred for the more advanced methods of dealing with the disturbances and faults, and (4) the absolute necessity for a sufficiently large area so as to afford a fair sporting chance for proving the block one way or another and to justify extensive developments and the necessary expenditure therefor.

3. The reasons urged by the Syndicate are very sound and convincing and the Syndicate not only deserve the grant of a lease over the entire area of one square mile, but they have also the strongest claims to it as pointed out by Dr. Smeeth in his letter No.2641, dated 11th March 1919, on account of the work done and expenditure incurred.

4. The new rules also provide for relaxations in regard to the limits of the areas in cases of this kind where there have been numerous faults and disturbances in the rock formations

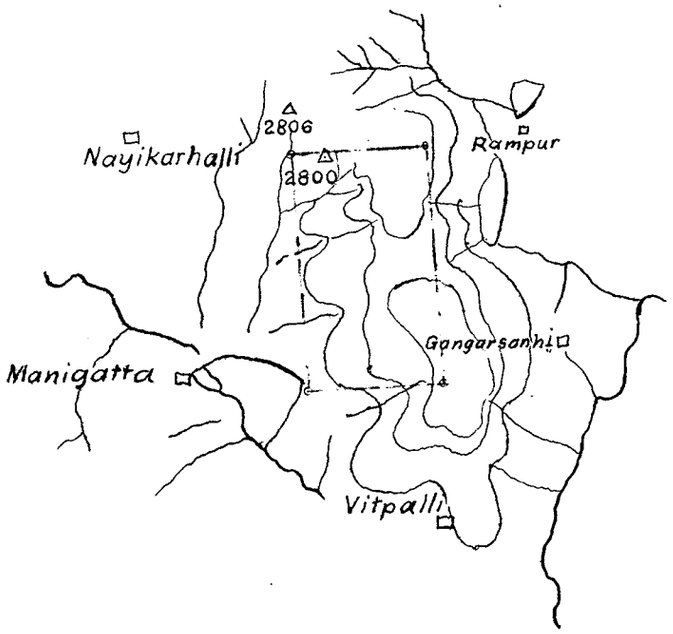
5. Under these circumstances, I beg to recommend that sanction of Government may kindly be accorded to the grant of a mining lease for gold to the Syndicate over the block of 1 square mile of land as per sketch submitted with their application, dated 15th November 1920.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B. Jaya Rama

Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

Toposheet No. 171.
P.L. No. 423.
Scale 1 inch = 1 mile



Director
Mysore Geological Dept.

FORM No. 5.

APPLICATION FOR A MINING LEASE.

Dated the 15th *day of* November 1920.

To

THE DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY,

BANGALORE.

SIR,

I have the honor to apply for the grant of a mining lease to... The North Kolar Gold Syndicate ..... under the rules contained in Notification No. G. 25838—Geol. 57-18-20, dated 12th May 1920 over the block of land containing..640.....acres marked on the enclosed extract from the Topographical Survey Map of Mysore. 171
Village maps of the Revenue Survey.

The block applied for comprises lands belonging to the villages, the names of which with the taluk and district to which each belongs, are set out in Schedule A hereto.

I enclose receipt from the State Huzur Treasury for Rs. 100, the fee required in respect of this application.

The minerals in respect of which the lease is applied for are stated in Schedule B hereto.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(sd) R. J. Coggan
Secretary,
North Kolar Gold Syndicate.

R. J. Coggan Esqr
Binnystone Gardens,
Bangalore city.

Name and address of applicant.
(Write legibly)

SCHEDULE A.

Village.*	Taluk.	District.
Manigkatta (part)		
Tondal (do)	Kolar.	Kolar.
Gangarasauk (do)	Mulbagal	
Honebrah (do)		

* State after the name of village, if whole or part only.

SCHEDULE B.

Minerals in respect of which the application is made.

Gold.

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Forwarded

For DIRECTOR,
Mysore Geological Department
4.1.22

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Proceedings of the Govt. of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

R e a d--

Letter No. 1110 dated 4th January 1922 from the Director, Dept. of Geology recommending the grant of a mining lease to the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for gold over one sq. mile of land comprised in prospecting block No. 423 in Kolar and Mulbagal taluks.

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Order, No. Je 717-8

Dated, Bangalore the 17

The North Kolar Gold Syndicate held a prospecting license No. 423 for Gold over a block of one sq. mile of land in Kolar and Mulbagal taluks which expired in September 1917. The application made in ~~October~~ November 1917 by the syndicate for the renewal of the license was rejected, as the whole question of exploitation for gold in the State was then under the consideration of Government.

2. Subsequently, on the representation of the syndicate that they had spent large sums of money on exploitation work and on the recommendation of the Director, Govt. in their order dated 5th June 1919 directed that while the licenses could not be renewed that the syndicate would be given the option to take out a mining lease under the revised rules then under consideration. 3. According to the revised rules which were finally issued in May 1920 the area over which a mining lease can be granted is limited to ½ square

The syndicate have now urged that a mining lease over one sq mile of land may be granted to them as a special case and the Govt supports the request.

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can be granted is limited to ½ a sq. mile

4. Govt. ~~Taulbee~~ are not in favour of relaxing the rules, ~~The~~ the syndicate will be granted a mining lease for gold over half a sq. mile of land composed in the original prospecting block No. 423, subject ~~further~~ to the condition that the lessees ~~should~~ ok pay to Government, in addition to the royalty in gold, either fully paid up shares of the ~~val~~ value of 10 percent of the share capital, or an enhanced rate of ~~exchange~~ 7½ percent on the dividends ~~xxx~~ declared.

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Secy. Genl. Deptt.

18.7.22

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The Director Department of Geology.
The Comptroller, Mysore Govt.,

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

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R e a d.-

Letter No. 1110 dated 4th January 1922 from the Director, Department of Geology, recommending the grant of a mining lease to the North Kolar Gold Syndicate for gold over one square mile of land comprised in prospecting block No. 423 in Kolar and Mulbagal taluks.

ORDER NO. Je 717-81 Gol 58-21-2

Dated Bangalore, 27th July 1922.

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3. According to the revised rules which were finally issued in May 1920, the area over which a mining lease can be granted is limited to half a square mile. The Syndicate have now urged that mining lease over one square mile of land may be granted to them as a special case and the Director supports the request.

4. Government are not in favour of relaxing the rules, but the Syndicate will, as a special case, be granted a mining lease for gold over half a square mile of land comprised in the original

prospecting block No. 423, subject to the condition that the - - lessees shall pay to Government, in addition to the royalty in - gold, either fully paid up shares of the value of 10 per cent of the share capital, or, an enhanced rate of royalty at 2½ per cent on the -- dividends declared.

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for GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
AG GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

To

The Director, Department of Geology.

The Comptroller to Government.

E.W.M/3.